MDHHS Conflict-Free Access and Planning

Current Activities

- Provider Survey
- Feedback Package Development
- Education/Information Session
- Update of Project Timeline by MDHHS Leadership

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How might Michigan

STRENGTHEN PROTECTIONS against conflicts of interest in ways which **PRIORITIZE THE PERSON'S EXPERIENCE** and **MAINTAIN VIABILITY** of the public behavioral health system?

Who: Four primary groups provided insights on each component of the design challenge including:

- Beneficiaries and their families (via listening sessions)
- CFA&P Workgroup
- MDHHS Staff
- External stakeholders, including CMHAM and Advocate organizations

What: All feedback entries (over 3,000) were coded from listening session notes, testing documents, and other materials provided to MDHHS related to CFA&P.

Upcoming: MDHHS is defining methods for future education and information session with beneficiaries and a provider survey.

- 1 Access: People can easily get the services and supports they need.
- Continuity: The connection between services and supports is smooth.
- Autonomy: People can easily make decisions about their planning, services, and supports.
- 4 Viability: Providers can stay in business.
- 5 Stringency: The system complies with the CFA&P rule.

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Feedback About...

Current

Future





Decisions Must Address Today's Concerns

2 Continuity



For each top concern, most feedback was related to current issues, except for Continuity. Current issues will need to be addressed in any system changes.





In areas like Continuity and Viability, feedback indicated that today's concerns may be worsened by CFA&P implementation.









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Representative Feedback

- 1 Access
- "[I am concerned about] the amount of time it could take... to receive services between providers and... health and safety."
- 2 Continuity

"Don't want the individual to have to bounce multiple times."

3 Autonomy

"I want to use my choice and I am not allowed to."

4 Viability

"Staffing shortages would most definitely play a role in what the alternatives could be for the person."

5 Stringency

"We currently have a lot of built in conflict of interest."

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Specific Concerns

- 1 Access
- Timeliness and ease of access (including having a convenient location) in both the current state and potential future scenarios.
- 2 Continuity

Redundancy in the beneficiary experience (like having to tell your story more than once) and organizational capacity to share information, especially in potential future scenarios.

3 Autonomy

Beneficiary not being informed of their options, especially in the current state.

4 Viability

Adequate staffing in the current state and provider network capacity in potential future scenarios.

5 Stringency

Protections against conflict of interest in the current state. However, both the workgroup and external stakeholders were nearly evenly divided whether current stringency was sufficient.

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Questions and Next Steps